

**Addendum to
Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Survey Inventory Form
CARR-595
SHOWERS-YINGLING FARM**

1. Name - Historic Name - Showers/Yingling Farm

2. Location - Change street and number as follows:

East and west sides of Maryland Route 30, 0.1 mile south of junction with Maryland Route 80

Congressional District is the 6th

3. Classification

Public Acquisition - not applicable

Accessible - change to No

4. Owner of Property -

Owners of farmhouse portion of property:

David L. and Jeanette T. Gannon
3800 Old Hanover Pike
Manchester, MD 21102

Owners of outbuilding and farm portion of property:

Black Farm Development Partnership
4219 Hanover Pike
Manchester, MD 21102

5. Location of Legal Description -

Carroll County Tax Assessor
Winchester Exchange Bldg. - Main Street
Westminster, MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys - Unchanged

7. Description - Change as follows:

In almost all important respects the description of the farmhouse on the original survey form is accurate. Minor additions and corrections are noted below. Also, additional descriptions are added of the property's outbuildings.

Summary paragraph:

The Showers-Yingling Farmstead contains a house and garage on the west side of Maryland Route 30 and seven outbuildings, including a brick bank barn, on the opposite side of the road. The house is a long three-story building with a filled-in, off-center, two-story frame gallery at its front facade. It utilizes a traditional gable-end form. Its handsome Greek Revival-style features include exterior cornerblock surrounds and a band of fretwork above the second-story front facade and, inside, doors with symmetrical raised panels, post-and-lintel mantels, and cornerblock surrounds. The bank barn, which features open brickwork, is almost entirely a modern reconstruction.

House lot on west side of Route 30:

Contributing buildings: 1 (the house)

House (c. 1845-1860) [A]:

The house was erected at one time, probably between 1845 and 1860. The central wooden section was an open gallery with a Victorian finish that probably dates to the last quarter of the nineteenth century. This finish was undisturbed when Cletus Black, after 1940, added walls and windows behind it, enclosing the gallery. (An early view of the house prior to the enclosing of the gallery is pictured in Getty's *Carroll's Heritage* (1987:97).)

The exterior of the house is finished at its east front facade with polished bricks laid in stretcher bond. The brick of the other elevations is laid in 5/1 common bond. The lintels of the front facade bays are marked with Greek Revival-style cornerblocks decorated with roundels. The lintels of the side elevation bays feature cornerblocks without roundels. Plain brick relieving arches mark the rear elevation. Wooden Greek fretwork separates the second and third stories at the front facade. The third-story windows do not contain colored glass.

Affixed to the southwest rear corner of the house by a frame hyphen is a small one-story brick building with a shed roof and a chimney stack. Marked with cornerblocks and apparently built at the same time as the house, it was originally a washhouse and/or kitchen. Its frame sections are later additions.

Greek Revival-style woodwork adorns the interior of the dwelling, which is largely intact. Original interior features include built-up post-and-lintel mantels; eight-panel doors with built-up, raised, symmetrical panels; symmetrical surrounds with corner blocks; and a principal stair winding up to the third floor with tobacco-stick-like balusters.

Garage (early 20th c.) [B]:

A two-bay frame garage sided with weatherboards stands to the south of the house.

Site:

The house and garage stand on a two-acre lot that was legally cut off from the main body of the farm, according to former owner Dorothy Black, prior to 1940. A portion of the lot behind the house is enclosed by a modern wooden fence.

Outbuildings on east side of Maryland Route 30:

Bank barn (1845-1860.) [C]:

The original brick bank barn that stood on this site was probably erected in the mid 19th century, around the same time as the house. According to Getty (1987:79), its bricks were made on the farm. At its west gable brick end facing the road it featured three tiers of rectangular open ventilators and open brick work in the gable of two diamonds and a star formed of four diamonds. (An early view of the barn prior to its reconstruction is pictured in Getty (1987:78).) The banked entrance of the barn was on the north. The wooden forebay section, which included long decorative louvered ventilators, was on the south.

In 1974 the barn was largely destroyed by fire, according to Dorothy Black, who occupied the farm with her husband, Cletus, at the time. Mr. Black rebuilt it in brick at a reduced height. He added a modern cinder-block-and-brick wall with open brick work at the west gable that largely mirrored, at a reduced height, the original wall. Part of the first story of that wall, retaining part of its open brick work, still stands behind the new wall. The banked entrance also remains on the north. The barn is, however, essentially a modern building.

Cow barn (late 19th/early 20th c.) [D]:

This deteriorated barn is built of timbers that are nailed rather than pegged together. It is sided with vertical boards and topped by a gable-end roof.

Barn (mid/late 19th c.) [E]:

The timbers of this deteriorated barn are mortised and tenoned and pegged together. It is topped by a gable-end roof and sided with vertical boards.

Pig barn/produce stand (late 19th/early 20th c.) [F]:

This deteriorated frame building is shed-roofed and covered with German siding. Originally a hog shed, it was converted into a produce stand in the late 20th century according to Dorothy Black.

Horse barn (late 19th/early 20th c.) [G]:

This small, deteriorated, shed-roofed, frame outbuilding appears to have held stables for a few horses.

Equipment barn (mid 20th c.) [H]:

This long, deteriorated, shed-roofed equipment barn is built of concrete block and frame and sided with vertical boards. It is still used to hold trucks and farming equipment.

Pig barn (mid 20th c.) [I]:

This deteriorated gable-roofed barn is built of concrete block and frame and sided with vertical boards. Its stalls suggest that it once held pigs.

Site:

The outbuildings, along with a small farm pond, are tightly clustered near Maryland Route 30 opposite the farmhouse. They are part of an 86-acre tract of land owned by the Black Farm Development Partnership. This tract extends behind the outbuildings to the east, to the north up to and north of Lineboro Road/Maryland Route 86, and west across Route 30 north of the farmhouse. This property is undeveloped and still at least in part farmed. According to the Gannons, who own the farmhouse, the Black Farm Development Partnership property is to be developed on both sides of the road into about 400 housing units, including single-family houses, townhouses, and a school.

8. Significance - Change as follows:

Under Areas of Significance, Agriculture should be checked. Applicable Criteria C should be checked, but only for the farmhouse portion of the property (as discussed below). The level of significance to be checked is local.

The statement of significance on the original survey form was brief and general and has become outdated since it was prepared in 1980. It is replaced by the following statement of significance.

Summary paragraph:

The farmhouse at the Showers-Yingling Farmstead is a large, imposing, gable-end brick dwelling with an intact Greek Revival-style finish erected between 1845 and 1860 that is believed to be eligible, with its present two-acre tract, for listing in the National Register under Criterion C. The outbuildings across Maryland Route 30 to the house's east, along with 86 acres to its north and east, are not believed to contribute to the house's integrity or to be eligible under any other National Register Criteria. They are deteriorated and largely abandoned and no longer anchor a farm. The bank barn that dominated the assemblage of outbuildings is a modern reconstruction of a once exceptional mid-19th-century brick barn that burned in 1974.

History:

The Greek Revival-style finish of the farmhouse on the Showers-Yingling Farmstead indicates a construction date between about 1845 and 1860. In 1862, according to the Martenet map of Carroll County, the house was owned (or occupied) by G. Showers. This may have been George Showers, whose name appears opposite a tannery on the west side of the Hanover Pike. G. Showers likely erected the house and the brick bank barn across the road from it. The pegged barn opposite the bank barn may also have been erected by Showers. The Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson map of 1877 identifies S. Yingling as the owner (or occupant). In 1916, according to the Rand McNally map of the county, the property was owned by William Hahn. According to Dorothy Black, Hahn left the farmhouse to Bertha Black, who cared for him late in his life. Dorothy and her husband, Cletus--Bertha's son--acquired and moved into the house about 1940. About 1980 they sold it to Dick Phelps, who sold it to Manchester Masonry, which sold it to the present owners, David L. and Jeanette T. Gannon, about 1988. The farmhouse lot was apparently separated by Hahn from the body of the farm when he deeded the house to Bertha Black. The outbuildings and the present 86 acres of land associated with them are now the property of the Black Farm Development Partnership which is to develop the property on both sides of the road, according to the Gannons, into about 400 housing units, including single-family houses, townhouses, and a school.

Two other names are additionally associated with the property. Dorothy Black believes that the persons pictured in the historic photograph of the house that she owns, which is reproduced in Getty (1987:97), had the surname Sterner. Getty (1987:78-79) also pictures the brick bank barn, prior to reconstruction, in his book. He calls it the George Everhart Barn, but this appears to be a confusion of names with a different barn described on the same page. In sum, the appearance of the house, coupled with the 1862 map reference, suggests that it was erected by G. Showers.

Evaluation:

The two-acre portion of the Showers-Yingling Farmstead that contains the former farmhouse is believed to be eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion C for its architecture. The farmhouse retains its National Register elements of integrity. A large, imposing, brick dwelling erected between 1845 and 1860, the house retains its traditional gable-end form coupled with an intact Greek Revival-style finish and embodies the distinctive local characteristics of its type and period. Neither the house nor the outbuildings have any known association with lives of persons significant in the past and are therefore not recommended as eligible for Register listing under Criterion B. Neither the house nor the outbuildings, individually or as an assemblage, are associated with significant historical events and therefore none are believed to be Register-eligible under Criterion A. The house is legally divided off from its farm and outbuildings and has no continued connection with the land under separate ownership to its north and east or to the outbuildings across the road from it. These outbuildings, through neglect, alteration, reconstruction, and lack of agricultural use, have largely lost their integrity. Numerous other more intact, functional assemblages of outbuildings survive in the county that better represent the county's agricultural history. The recommended National Register-eligible two-acre property includes one contributing building--the former farmhouse--and one noncontributing building--the 20th-century garage.

9. Major Bibliographical References -

Black, Dorothy

1996 Personal communication with a former owner of the Showers-Yingling Farmstead, April, 1996.

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Getty, Joe

1987 *Carroll's Heritage: Essays on the Architecture of a Piedmont Maryland County.* The County Commissioners of Carroll County and the Historical Society of Carroll County. Westminster, Maryland.

Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson

1877 *An Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County, Maryland.* Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson, Philadelphia.

Martenet, Simon J.

1862 *Martenet's Map of Carroll County, Maryland.* Simon J. Martenet, Baltimore.

Rand McNally

1916 *Manchester, Election District No. 6, Carroll Co., Md.*

10. Geographical Data -

Acreage:

Recommended National Register-eligible farmhouse portion of property - 2 acres

Recommended non-National Register-eligible outbuilding and farm portion of property - 86 acres

Quadrangle name - Manchester, MD

Quadrangle scale - 1 to 24,000

Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundary of the recommended National Register-eligible farmhouse portion of the property is coterminous with that of Carroll County Tax Map 23, Parcel 759, which encompasses 2 acres. This parcel forms the boundaries of the Register-eligible property because it was historically, and presently is, associated with the house, and allows the dwelling to retain a historic setting. It excludes the 85.71-acre outbuilding and farm portion

of the land (Carroll County Tax Map 14, Parcel 473) once associated with the house, because that tract has been severed from the house tract for many years and because the outbuildings are deteriorated and no longer serve agricultural functions and do contribute the house's recommended eligibility under National Register Criterion C.

The boundary of the recommended non-National Register-eligible outbuilding and farm portion of the property is coterminous with Carroll County Tax Map 14, Parcel 473, which encompasses 85.71 acres

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Eligibility Recommended <u>XX</u>	Eligibility Not Recommended _____
Comments: _____	

Reviewer, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>[Signature]</u>
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Showers-Yingling Farm/CARR-595 Maryland Historic Preservation Plan

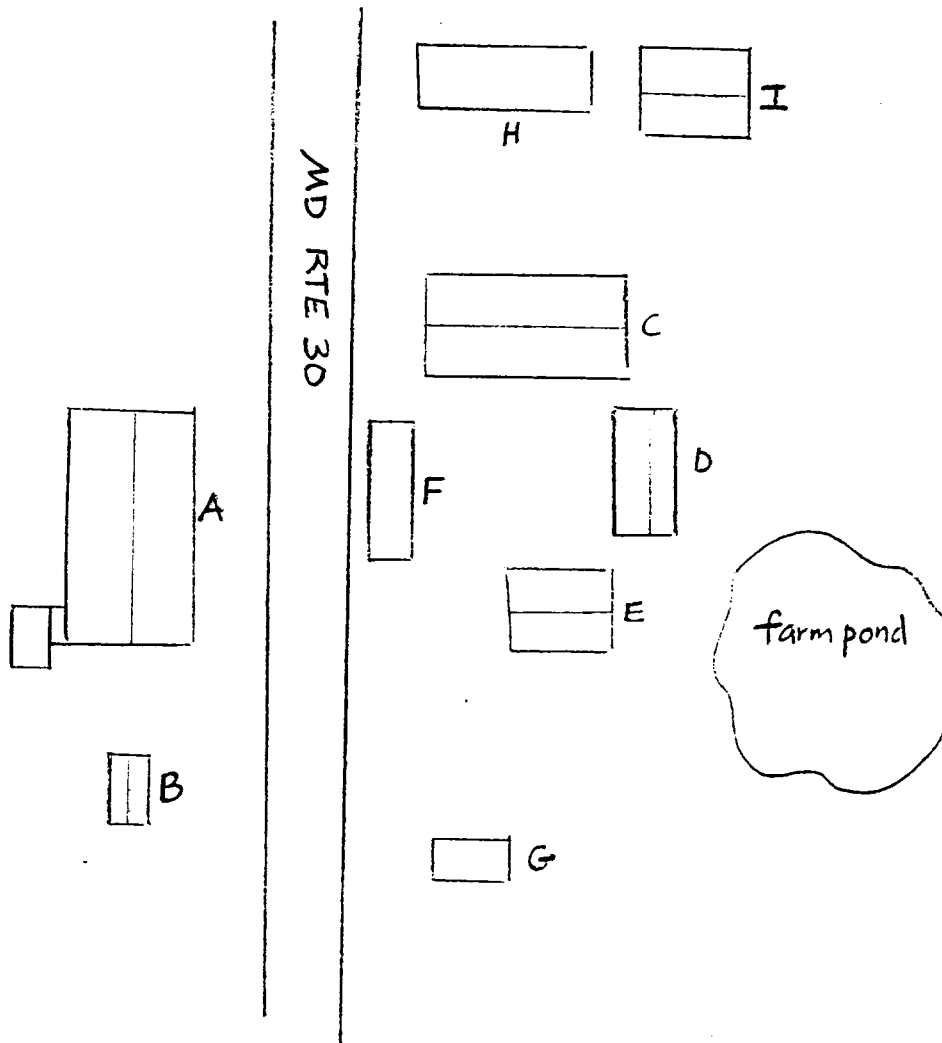
Maryland Historic Preservation Plan Historic Contexts:

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Historic Period Themes: Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning; Agriculture

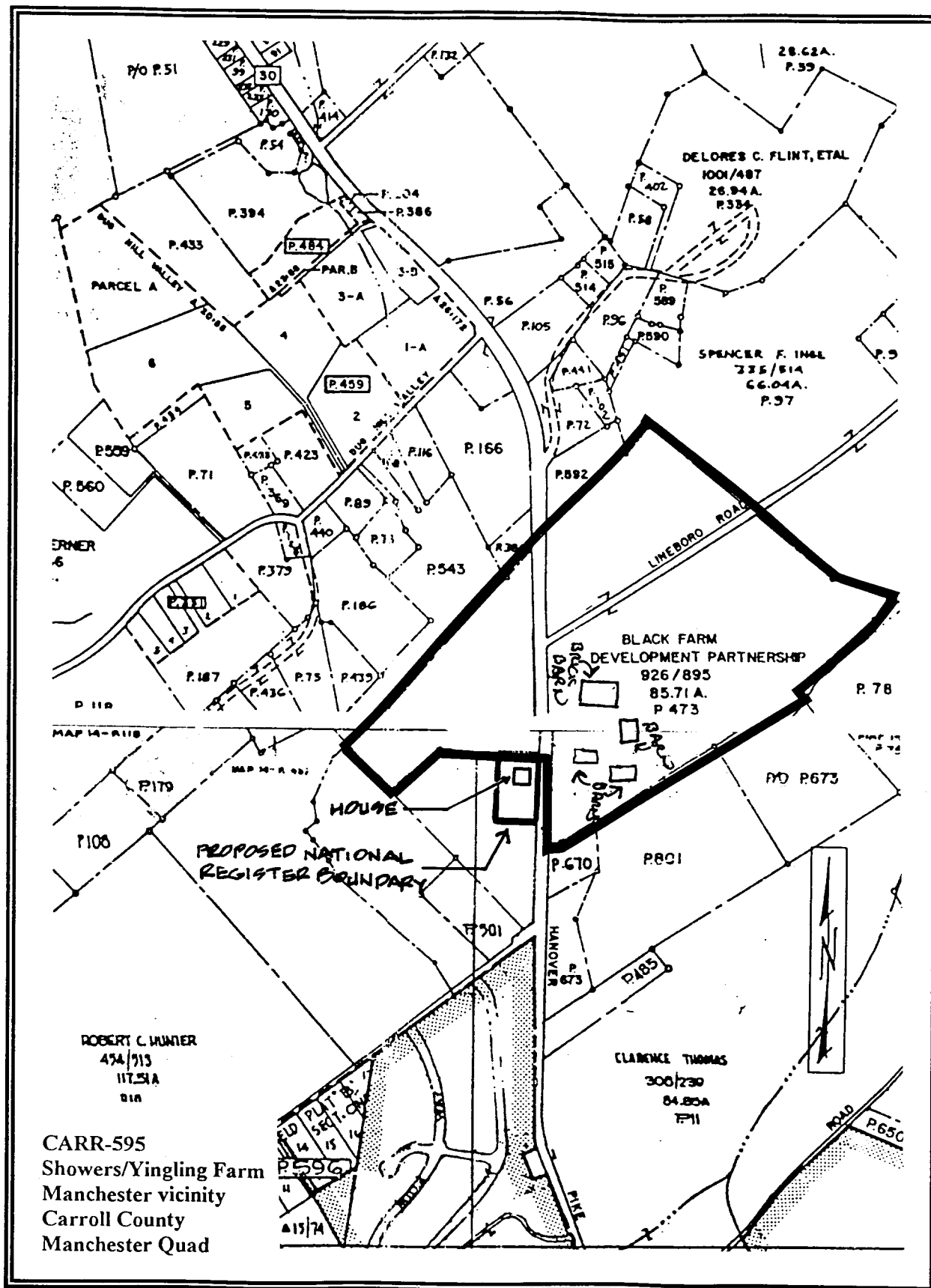
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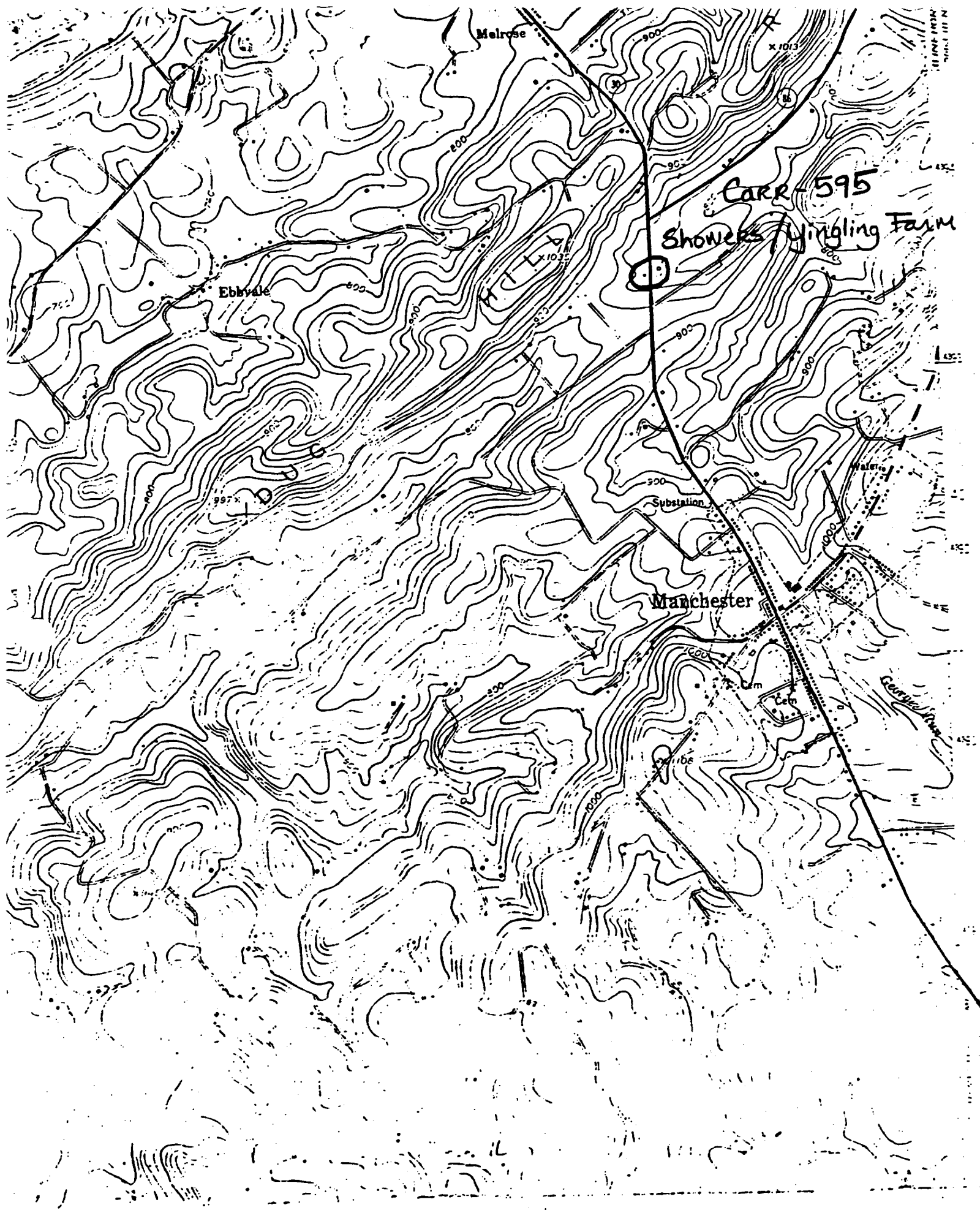


CARR-595

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CARR-595
Showers/Yingling Farm
Manchester vicinity
Carroll County
Manchester Quad







CARR-595

CARROLL Co, MD

MARVIN BROWN

4/96

MARYLAND SHPO

House, E elev

8/13 of 3x55

2/4



CARL-5 95
CARROLL CO, MD
MARVIN BROWN

4/96
MARYLAND SHPO
House, Hallway

1 of 13, 3x5s

1/4



CARR-595

CARROLL Co, MD

MARVIN BROWN

4/96

MARYLAND SHPO

BANK BARN FACING NE

10/13 of 3x5s

4/4



CARL - 595

CARROLL CO, MD

MARVIN BROWN

4/96

MARYLAND SHPO

OUTBUILDINGS FACING NE

9/13 of 3x5s

3/4

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Showers/Yingling Farm

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

(Hanover Pike)

East and west sides of Maryland Route 30, South of intersection with

CITY, TOWN Md. Route 86

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF Manchester/Melrose

STATE Maryland

COUNTY
Carroll**3 CLASSIFICATION****CATEGORY**☒ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO**PRESENT USE**☒ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CA 89-535

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Showers/Yingling Farm is located on both sides of Maryland Route 30, between Manchester and Melrose. It is set in flat, open farmland, with the house on the west side of Route 30, and across the road, a group of barns and other outbuildings.

The house is principally of brick construction, with some wooden portions. It faces east, is three stories high, gable roofed, with roof ridge parallel to Route 30, and covered with a standing seam metal roof. There are two brick interior end chimneys and a third smaller chimney located slightly to the north of center.

The house is unusually wide and tall for the area. The first and second floors of the principal facade contain two brick sections at either end, with an enclosed wooden section in the center. The southern brick section is one bay wide, the northern brick end is three bays wide. The central wooden portion is four bays wide. The third floor, a half-story high on the principal facade, is painted white, and is continuous across this facade and contains seven eyebrow windows. These windows all have colored lights, and are perhaps later than the original building.

The three bay, northern brick section has a one-story half hip roofed addition which is three bays wide by one deep, and covered with white board and batten. The windows here, as in most of the building are 6/6: on the brick portions of the house, there are white wooden lintels over the windows.

The wooden central section of this facade is unusual, and very elaborate for the area. It contains long bands of windows on the first and second floors, with white board and batten and clapboards below. Two doorways are located on the first floor. There is elaborate wooden decoration, with perforated bands and scrollwork brackets on posts and arches, and an expression of framing that suggests Stick Style influence.

This section may possibly have originally been an open two-story gallery, later filled in and enclosed with this facade. This possible gallery recalls the galleries seen in central and western Maryland, but in this area, more often seen on a rear ell perpendicular to the main block, rather than on the principal facade as seen here. The house may also have been built in more than one section, a possibility suggested by the location of the three chimneys and by the three-part facade.

Across the road is a large group of barns and sheds; of particular interest is the large brick end barn with patterned brickwork vents, of Pennsylvania influence and rare in the vicinity.

This is probably the property of Geo. Showers marked "Old Tannery" on the 1862 Martenet atlas of Carroll County, and of S. Yingling on the 1877 Lake, Griffing and Stevenson atlas of the county.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Showers/Yingling Farm is significant for the many features of interest in its unusual house, for the rare patterned brick end barn, the large number of other outbuildings, large amount of farmland, and continued use for agricultural purposes today.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Peggy Bruns Weissman, MHT/SHA Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

April 1980

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle - Shaw House

TELEPHONE

269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

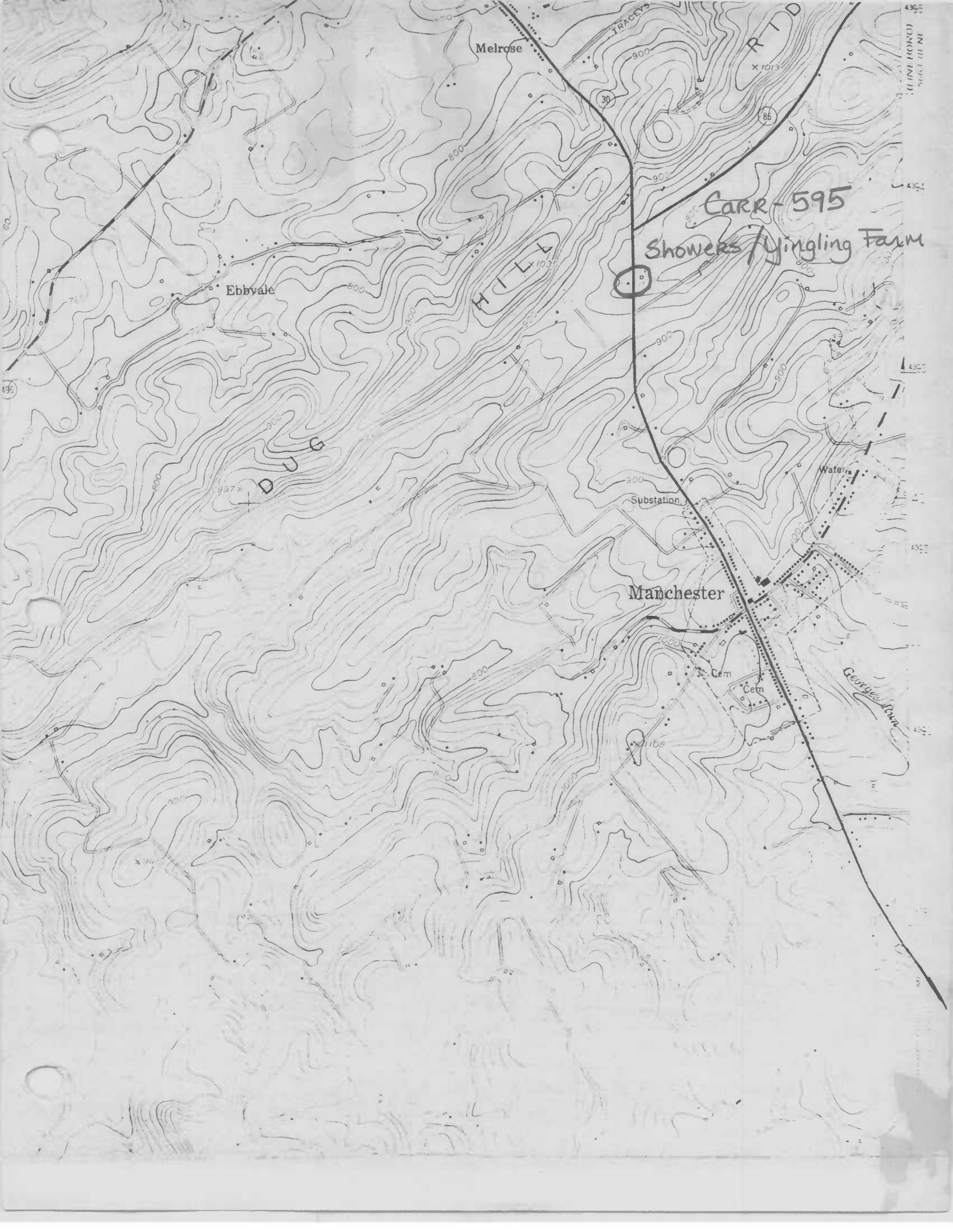
STATE

Maryland 21401

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The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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Carr-595
Showers/Yingling
Farm

P. Weissman
1979

view from
southeast



Carr-595

Showers/
gingling
Farm

P. Weissman
1979

brick end
barn, from
southwest